By the King.

A Proclamation commanding persons of qualitie to reside in their Countreys.

WHereas, by three former Proclamations, one dated the twentieth of November, another, the two and twentieth of December, in the twentieth yeere of Our Reigne, and the third, the sixe and twentieth day of March, in the one and twentieth yeere of Our Reigne; We did publish Our Royall pleasure, concerning the repaire of the Lords Spirituall and Temporall, and of other persons of qualitie, from our Cities of London and Westminster, and the parts adiacent, and from other Cities and Townes, vnto their Countrey dwellings: In all which was so fully declared Our constant and setled resolution, as. We presumed, would haue cut off all hopes of change or alteration therein: Yet finding by experience, that such as are addicted vnto that course, of withdrawing themselues from their Countries, are prone to flatter themselues in their vaine humour; We haue thought good (once more) to publish Our absolute and peremptorie command, That Our said Proclamations be in all points dutifully obeyed. And to the intent, that all such, as shall presume to contemne Our Royall commandements, (so often iterated) may feele the severitie of Our iustice; Wee doe hereby straitly charge all Maiors, Aldermen, Justices of peace, and other head-Officers, aswell of Our said Cities of London and Westminster, and the parts adiacent, as of other Cities and Townes, That they from time to time, cause diligent survey and inquirie to be made within their severall precincts, limits, and iurisdictions, of all offendors in this behalfe, and make speedie certificate of their names, without partialitie or connivence, vnto the Lords of Our priuie Councell, or to Our Attourney generall, that they may be proceeded against in Our Court of Star-chamber, or otherwise, according to their demerits. And Our will and pleasure is, That aswell the Lords of Our priuie Councell, as Our Attourney generall, vse all care and diligence, to punish with severitie, aswell the partialitie, negligence, and remissenesse of the said Maiors, Aldermen, Justices of peace, and other head-Officers, in not making due survey or certificate, as aforesaid, as the contemptuous behauiour of such, as shall presume to violate this, or any other Our said former Proclamations.

Giuen at Our Court at Royston, the nineteenth day of October, in the two and twentieth yeere of Our Reigne of Great Britaine, France and Ireland.

God saue the King.

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